

TYRONE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

MINUTES

December 12, 2022 at 9:00 AM

Billy Campbell, Chairman
Jeni Mount, Vice-Chairman

Luci McDuffie, Treasurer
Ernie Johnson
John Kaufman
Nathan Reese
Adam She

Brandon Perkins, Town Manager
Phillip Trocquet, Asst. Town Manager
Ciara Willis, Secretary
E. Allison Ivey Cox, Town Attorney

Absent:

Jeni Mount, Vice-Chairman
John Kaufman, Board Member

Also present was:

Melissa Hill, Council Member

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS: *The first public comment period is reserved for non-agenda items. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes. Please state your name & address. Comments that require a response may not be answered during this time. The DDA or staff may respond at a later date.*

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made to approve the agenda.

Motion made by Board Member Johnson, Seconded by Board Member Reese.
Voting Yea: Chairman Campbell, Board Member She.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of minutes from November 14, 2022.

A motion was made to approve the minutes from November 14, 2022.

Motion made by Board Member She, Seconded by Board Member Reese.
Voting Yea: Chairman Campbell, Board Member Johnson.

VII. PRESENTATIONS

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

2. Consideration to approve a resolution transferring ownership of parcel number 0738 107 from the Town of Tyrone to the Downtown Development Authority of Tyrone.
- Phillip Trocquet, Assistant Town Manager

Mr. Trocquet explained that the pending transfer of ownership was delayed due to the need to establish a sewer and multi-use access easement along the rear of the property. He shared that the easement had been established and the property was ready to be transferred to the DDA. He stated that staff recommended approval of the resolution to accept ownership of 935 Senoia Road, formerly Fayette County Fire Station 3 (parcel number 0738 107) from the Town of Tyrone. Chairman Campbell asked if the easement had been added to the deed. Mr. Trocquet confirmed that the easement had been recorded appropriately with Fayette County.

A motion was made to approve a resolution transferring ownership of parcel number 0738 107 from the Town of Tyrone to the Downtown Development Authority of Tyrone.

Motion made by Board Member Reese, Seconded by Board Member Johnson.
Voting Yea: Chairman Campbell, Board Member She.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS

XI. STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Perkins shared that he had met with the Georgia Cities Foundation members and the DCA last week to discuss funding options for the Town. He stated that the staff was currently working on funding options for the property at 935 Senoia Road. He suggested that the Board create two committees, such as the Finance and Planning Committees. As a result, it would allow Board Members to give recommendations outside of monthly DDA meetings. Chairman Campbell concurred with that suggestion.

Mr. Perkins asked the Board for their opinions on allowing production companies to continue filming at 935 Senoia Road. Additionally, Mr. Perkins shared that the Town had recouped its initial investment in the property by allowing companies to rent the building for filming. Board Member Johnson stated that the building could be used as a source of revenue in the interim until the building was leased. Additionally, the Board discussed a \$500.00 minimum filming fee per day. Furthermore, the Town Manager and the Assistant Town Manager would negotiate rental fees for the property on behalf of the DDA. Board Members concurred that filming could continue at 935 Senoia Road.

Treasurer McDuffie arrived at 9:28 am.

A motion was made to allow filming to continue at 935 Senoia Road with a \$500.00 minimum filming fee per day and gave authorization to the Town Manager and the Assistant Town Manager to negotiate those fees until the building was leased.

Motion made by Chairman Campbell, Seconded by Board Member Reese.
Voting Yea: Treasurer McDuffie, Board Member She, Board Member Johnson.

XII. BOARD COMMENTS

Chairman Campbell asked staff to discuss viable funding opportunities for 935 Senoia Road, with the Board in the forthcoming months. Mr. Trocquet stated that he could meet with the Board in small groups to discuss funding options, such as low-interest loans or grants.

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn.

Motion made by Board Member Reese.
Voting Yea: Chairman Campbell, Treasurer McDuffie, Board Member She, Board Member Johnson.

The meeting adjourned at 9:41 am.

By: _____
Billy Campbell, Chairman

Attest: _____
Ciara Willis, Secretary